

Appropriations and Finance Committee
LTBB Governmental Administration Building
Tribal Council Chambers
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Regular Meeting
April 10, 2018

Call to Order: **9:21 a.m.**

Committee Member Roll Call: Committee Member Dexter McNamara, Committee Member Shanna Wemigwase, Committee Chair Marcella R. Reyes

Absent: none

Tribal Councilors present: none

Legislative Staff: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Legislative Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee, Legal Assistant Su Lantz

Executive Staff/Official Present: Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson, Grant Writer Alison Simon, Health Director Jody Werner

Judicial Staff Present: Tribal Court Administrator Michael Wolf

Public: Tribal Citizen Andrew Stitch

Invited Guests: none

Closed Session: no

Agenda

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt the Agenda of April 10, 2018 as amended.

Comments: none

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0 -No, 0 -Abstain, 0 -Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve the minutes of March 13, 2018 as corrected.

Comments: none

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0 -No, 0 -Abstain, 0 -Absent

Motion carried.

Review of Budget Hearing Minutes of April 3, 4, and 6, 2018 moved to the end of meeting.

Phone Polls:

-03/28/2018 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve Certified Motion # 040718-01 Ziibimijwang, Inc. Request for Funding through the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

Committee Comments: none

Vote: 2 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

-03/28/2018 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve Certified Motion # 040718-02 Ziibimijwang, Inc. Request for Funding through the United States Department of Agriculture.

Committee Comments: none

Vote: 2 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

-04/06/18 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve Certified Motion # 040718-01 Request for Funding from the United States Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance FY 2018.

Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carried.

New Business

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Treasurer Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to approve Certified Motion #041918-01 Request for Funding from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, FY 2018 Sustain Our Great Lakes Program.

Comments: none

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0 -No, 0 -Abstain, 0 -Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor McNamara to recommend to Tribal Council to approve Certified Motion #041918-02 Request for Funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, Native American Library Services FY 2018 Enhancement Grant.

Comments: none

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0 -No, 0 -Abstain, 0 -Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution Use of 3rd Party Support Revenues for Expansion of Dental Program.

Comments: none

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0 -No, 0 -Abstain, 0 -Absent

Motion carried.

10:15 a.m. Break

10:39 a.m. Meeting resumes

2018 General Fund Budget Review

Legislative Branch-Legal Department budget reduction as presented by Executive Legal Assistant Su Lantz

Discussion: Further reductions are requested.

11:35 a.m. Lunch Break

1:11 p.m. Meeting resumes
Legal Department 2018 Budget Review continued

Discussion: The Legal Department will reduce the Travel line item by \$3000 with \$6800 remaining, reduce the Meeting and Activities line item by \$725 with \$0 remaining in this line item (zeroed out), and reduce the Computers line item by \$1200 with \$800 remaining.

Legal Department Proposed Target \$589,045
Request for additional or **reduction** of funds from 2018 budget: (\$151,771)
Percentage of proposed Increase or **Decrease**: = -20.52%

Legislative Branch-Tribal Council budget reduction as presented by Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope

Discussion: Further reductions is requested. Former Sr Financial Analyst Stella Kay reduced the budget during the 2017 Budget Hearings, therefore, very little was left to be reduced. The Legislative will reduce the Travel line item by \$2000 with \$17,252.05 remaining. In comparison with the 2016 Travel line item of \$83,000 to the 2018 Travel line item, which is a decrease of 75.9%.

Tribal Council Proposed Target \$344,400
Request for additional or **reduction** of funds from 2018 budget: (\$17,752)
Percentage of proposed Increase or **Decrease**: = -4.90%

Executive Branch budget reduction as presented by Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay.

Executive Branch Proposed Target \$9,872,369
Request for additional or **reduction** of funds from 2018 budget: (\$437,794)
Percentage of proposed Increase or **Decrease**: = -4.25%

Discussion: Further reductions is requested. The Executive will reduce the Capital Improvements and Acquisitions line item. \$3000 is needed for Detention costs. Overall reduction is \$479,000 with \$38,000 needed to reach proposed target.

Executive Branch Proposed Target \$9,831,163
Request for additional or **reduction** of funds from 2018 budget: (\$479,000)
Percentage of proposed Increase or **Decrease**: = -4.65%

2:36 p.m. Break
2:53 p.m. Meeting resumes

2018 Budget Review continued

3:08 p.m. Public Comment opens

- Tribal Citizen Andrew Stich asked if there will be a special meeting held in regards to the 2018 Budget Reduction so Tribal Citizens can be informed and have input, questioned purchasing land when there is a budget reduction, why have we not purchased land in Burt Lake or in the upper peninsula? We should have representation from the twelve (12) bands that make up Little Traverse Bay Bands, who represents these bands? Why do we need nine (9) councilors instead of five (5)? What are the current numbers from the casino? What is the overall budget reduction number? Where are we going to get the additional money for the 2018 shortfall?

3:22 p.m. Public Comment closes

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported Councilor Wemigwase to approve the minutes of April 3, 2018 as corrected.

Discussion: none

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0 -No, 0 -Abstain, 0 -Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and Councilor McNamara to approve the minutes of April 4, 2018 as corrected.

Discussion: none

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0 -No, 0 -Abstain, 0 -Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to table the April 6, 2018 Budget Hearing Meeting Minutes to April 12, 2018 meeting.

Discussion: none

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0 -No, 0 -Abstain, 0 -Absent

Motion carried.

Sr. Financial Analyst Report: none

Old Business: none

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to amend the agenda to include Tribal Resolution Amended FY 2018 Governmental Budgets and also Tribal Resolution Supplemental Funding in the amount of \$160,000 for the Legislative Branch FY 2018 budget for purchase of Land Parcel #111

Discussion: none

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0 -No, 0 -Abstain, 0 -Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to recommend to Tribal Council to adopt Tribal Resolution Amended FY 2018 Governmental Budgets.

Discussion: none

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0 -No, 0 -Abstain, 0 -Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to adopt Tribal Resolution Supplemental funding in the amount of \$160,000 for the Legislative Branch FY 2018 Budget for purchase of Land Parcel #111.

Discussion: none

Vote: 2 -Yes, 1 -No (Councilor Wemigwase), 0 -Abstain, 0 -Absent

Motion carried.

Adjourn:

4:24 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor McNamara to adjourn.

Discussion: none

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0 -No, 0 -Abstain, 0 -Absent

Motion carried.

Next Meeting date(s)
Regular Meeting: May 8, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

APPROVED